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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Noboru ASAUCHI  
NON-CONTACT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN A DEVICE AND ITS  
EXPENDABLE CONTAINER  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q80853

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 16 sheets of the specification in Japanese, including the claims and abstract and 10 sheets of drawings (Figs 1-10). Copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date, along with the requisite Government filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>7</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b><u>\$770.00</u></b>

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-106603	April 10, 2003

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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